



Memorandum

Date: August 12, 1997
To: Program Coordination Team
From: Steve Yaeger *Steve*
Subject: Response to Agency Comments

Attached is our response to the comments we received from the CALFED agencies pertaining to the "Phase II Alternative Descriptions" document.

On behalf of Lester and the Program Team, I want to thank you for the effort that went into your comments. Your input and suggestions are invaluable to us. As you can see from the document "Revisions to Analysis," also attached, we will be incorporating many of your suggestions.

Not surprisingly, there were some comments where the Program Team disagreed with the comment or a response that the comment may have been either premature or inconsistent with the Program's programmatic mission. Where that was the case, we have indicated that the appropriate time to treat that comment is during Phase III, site specific evaluation.

Some of your comments may not be presented here. There were a few responses that the Program wanted to discuss and analyze further before finalizing them. However, we wanted to get the bulk back to you at this time so you would have the majority of the responses available during the discussions on the distinguishing characteristics.

We will have the remainder to you within a few weeks. Also, if there are responses to the comments that are of particular concern or interest, please do not hesitate to contact me or the Program Manager for that resource area to discuss them.

The attached response to comments document is self-explanatory. We tried to organize it in a readable fashion with respect to each agency's comments and the particular resource area that was being addressed. We hope that the paraphrase of comments your agency provided capture its intent or meaning.

Attachments

CALFED Agencies

California
The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal
Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service